

St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT


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MASS SCHEDULE  
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 12.00 noon  
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8am  
Tuesday & Friday 8am & 7pm  
ST PAUL'S CHURCH  
Sunday: 9am & 10.30am  
Monday–Friday: 10am  
Saturday: 10.30 am & 7pm (Vigil)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
with Fr Jozef  
Friday 6.00pm - 6.45pm

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS:  
St Paul's  
Monday 22nd December 7:00,  
St. Peter's  
Tuesday 23rd December 7:30  
(after evening Mass),

OFFERTORY COLLECTION  
7<sup>th</sup> December - £3325.06  
Standing Orders - £350.60 weekly  
Donations – £30 loose & 1 X £100  
from St Teresa's P.S. Carol Service  
Thank you for your continued support



Holy Baptism


All parents wishing to have a child baptised in St Peter's Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person.  
One month's notice is required.  
Baptisms take place on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.00pm

PARISH OFFICE  
The office will close on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December @ 12.00pm for the Christmas holidays and re-open on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January @ 10.00am

Fr Colum Murphy, Fr Jozef Wozniak, Fr Colum Wright, Fr Kingsley Idoghor  
Deacon Kevin Devine and Deacon Pearse Thornbury wish all our parishioners every blessing, peace and happiness for Christmas.  
Spokojnych, zdrowych, radosnych swiat BoKego Narodzenia spedzonych w gronie rodzinny i przyjaciól oraz wszelkiej pomyslnosci w Nowym Roku. Niechaj Bo\_onarodzeniowe swieta przyniosa wszystkim betlejemski blask.  
Duszpasterze  
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
Nollaig Shona Daoibh

Christmas Masses  
St. Peter's:  
Vigil (Christmas Eve) 6:00, 8:00 (Po polsku)  
Christmas Day 8:00, 10:00 (Po polsku), 12:00  
St. Paul's:  
Vigil (Christmas Eve) 6:00  
Christmas Day 9:00, 10:30  
St. Stephen's Day  
St. Peter's 9:30, 10:30 (Po polsku)  
St. Paul's 10:30  
27th and 28th December  
Usual weekend Mass times  
Masses from 29th December to 3rd January  
St. Peter's 9:30  
St. Paul's 10:30  
North Street Car Park  
ECP (Euro carparks) have confirmed that charges for parking in the North Street Car park will be suspended from 5.00pm on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December until 8.00am on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

Visit the Crib.  
Picture the Holy Family on that first Christmas night. Say a prayer of thanks for the gift of life and family and friendship





The last Irish Mass of 2025 (Christmas Mass) will take place in the Adoration Chapel Edward Street on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December @ 8.00pm. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS  
For some people Christmas is a difficult time. Remember them in a special way in your prayers. Thank God for all the good things you have received, especially the gift of family and friends

ONCE UPON A TIME  
Inside a small stable one dark winter's night a baby was born in the glow of starlight..... The wise men and shepherds from afar came to pray at the feet of the baby asleep in the hay... The sheep and the cattle stood bowing their heads, adoring this boy in the simplest of beds Then doves in the rafters started softly to sing a lullaby welcoming Jesus, our King


ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY  
would like to thank all who contributed so generously to the Annual Christmas Appeal. To date the following was received:  
Churches: £10,989  
Organizations: £ 5,000  
Individuals: £ 5,050  
Total: £21,039  
May God bless you all

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
The Society's new Journal Seanchas Dhiroim Mór 2025 is now available in the Parish Offices. Of special interest to Lurgan readers will be articles on the Dougher Graveyard Part2; Dean Michael McConville; Kieran Clendinning plus another 18 articles. See our Facebook page Seanchas Dhiroim Mór for the full list of contents.  
PRICE £20 or two for £30


2026 TOURS  
Easter in Mayo  
dept Mon 06 April  
1nt Carrick on Shannon  
3nts Westport Woods  
inc local Tours & entertainment  
£489 ss £45  
=====  
Summer in Nottingham  
dept Sun 16 Aug  
5 nts Warner Leisure  
full entertainment & tours  
£679 ss £50  
Call: Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 3832 4741

The presence of the poor and the lowly in the nativity scene remind us that God became man for the sake of those who feel most in need of his love and who ask him to draw near to them. Jesus was born in poverty and led a simple life to teach us to recognise what is essential and to act accordingly. The nativity clearly teaches us that we cannot let ourselves be fooled by wealth and fleeting promises of happiness. From the manger, Jesus proclaims, in a meek yet powerful way, the need for sharing with the poor as the path to a more human and fraternal world in which no one is excluded or marginalized.

LURGAN LOURDES COMMITTEE  
Dromore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage  
15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
5 Nights Full Board -£890pp  
We are now taking applications for Assisted Pilgrims  
Anyone who would like to be considered  
Please contact Rosemary (Secretary) 077 9631 0214  
Or any Committee Member

St Peter's Parish now accepts ONLINE DONATIONS  
Just scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate.  
  
Or visit <https://donate.myдона.com/st-peters-parish-lurgan>.  
Scan the QR code. Enter your amount. Input your card details. Please do not forget to Gift Aid

ANNIVERSARIES CONTINUED  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December  
Richie Heaney, Brett Avenue  
Ann Clarke nee McColgan, Dorset  
Lilian Burns, Wellington Street  
Joe Burns, Arthur Street  
Peggy Martin, Filbin Crescent  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> December  
Eugene Campbell, Westwood  
Patsy Finnegan, North Street  
Rosaleen Gaynor, Wellington St  
Gerard Dummigan, Kilmaine St  
Patricia Haddock, Brownlow Tce  
John Haughian, Kilwilke Road  
Maryann Barbour, Shankill Street  
Margo McDermott nee Donnelly, Lurgan  
Patrick & Sarah McGarvey, Ballygawley



RECENTLY DECEASED  
Brian White, Allenhill Park  
Gerald Lennon, Hawthorn Avenue  
Seamus McCann, Villiers Avenue  
Maragret Doran, Oakridge

MONTH'S MIND  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December  
Gertrude White, Linen Mews  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
Ann McNeice, Kilwilke Road

ANNIVERSARIES  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December  
Tommy O'Hara, Thornleigh  
Dessie McKinstry, Wesley Place  
Mary Carter, Victoria Street  
John Douglas, Goudy Bridge Road, Aghagallon  
Jim McConville, Edward Street/London  
Hugh & Harry Murtagh, Lurgan/Dublin  
Andy McGibbon, Allenhill Drive  
John Catney, Mary Street  
John Greene, Shore Road  
James Knox, O'Neill's Terrace  
Virginia McGroarty, New York  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December  
Mark McMorro, Lough Road  
Rosemarie Cullen. Annesborough Park  
Kevin Arthur Toman, Desmond Avenue  
Sean Byrne, Shore Road  
Kathleen Venard, Kilwilke  
Ethel Ranaghan, Killough, Co Down  
Dympna McStay, Kilmore Hill Road  
Jean Breen nee Campbell, Lurgantarry  
Eilish & Gary Kennedy, Kilmore Road/Rostrevor  
Michael Magee, Beech Court  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December  
Hugh Haughian Snr, Sloan Street  
Bridie McConville, Oakleigh Heights  
Brian Lenehan, Caroline Avenue  
James McAreevey, Manor Park  
Sheena Fox, Antrim Close  
Dolores & Jimmy Heaney, Ulster Street  
John Breen, Dublin/Lurgantarry  
Joe McDonald, Lurgan/Newcastle-upon-Tyne  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
Margaret Kennedy, O'Neill's Terrace  
Darragh Kerr, Monbrief Walk  
Sarah & James Crossey, Grattan Street  
Edel & Mark Cassidy, Victoria Street  
Willie Toland, Church Walk  
Charlotte Harbinson, Wellington Street  
Bernard Patrick Mulholland, Vancouver  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December  
Kathleen McCorry, Kilmore Hill Road  
Oliver Joseph Shortt, Lurgantarry  
Eileen Quinn, Silverwood Drive  
Martha McDonald, Kilwilke Road  
Francis McCann, Campbell Walk  
Sarah Doran, Kilmore Hill Road/Gilford  
Tom Burke, Kilwilke Road  
Larry Magee, Windsor Avenue  
Maisie Mulholland, Mary Street  
Edward & Rose Leathem, Donnelly Gardens  
William & Margaret McAlernon, Tullydagon  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December  
Canon Cathal Jordan, Derrymacash  
Eilish & John Creaney, Tarry Drive  
Olive Wilson, Lurgan